

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

At page 18, line 26, please insert the following new paragraphs:

FIGS. 3 and 5 show a removable expansion means 12 that includes a screw expansion mechanism having a proximal end and a distal end. The proximal end includes a first L-shaped flange having a first vertical plate that receives the screw expansion mechanism and a first horizontal plate that is substantially perpendicular to the first vertical plate and that engages the first flange engagement structure of the first transmitting means. As shown in FIGS. 3, 5 and 6A-6C, the first flange engagement structure is sized to receive the first horizontal plate. The distal end of the expansion means 12 includes a second L-shaped flange having a second vertical plate connected to the distal end of the screw expansion mechanism and a second horizontal plate that is substantially perpendicular to the second vertical plate and that engages the second flange engagement structure of the second transmitting means. As shown in FIGS. 3, 5 and 6A-6C, the second flange engagement structure is sized to receive the second horizontal plate.

FIGS. 3 and 5 show a removable expansion structure 12 that includes a screw expansion mechanism. The expansion structure 12 includes a proximal end having a first L-shaped flange having a first vertical plate that receives the screw expansion mechanism and a first horizontal plate that is substantially perpendicular to the first vertical plate and that engages a first slot of the first transmitting structure. As shown in FIGS. 3, 5 and 6A-6C, the first slot is sized to receive the first horizontal plate. The expansion structure 12 also includes a distal end having a second L-shaped flange having a second vertical plate connected to a distal end of the screw expansion mechanism and a second horizontal plate that is substantially perpendicular to the second vertical plate and that engages a second slot of the second transmitting structure. As shown in FIGS. 3, 5 and 6A-6C, the second slot is sized to receive the second horizontal plate.